Promoting cow urine based pesticides

†510. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL:Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to promote cow urine based pesticides instead of chemical pesticides in agriculture field;

(b) if so, whether Government are formulating any proper cordinating scheme in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR.AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a)to(c) Government of India already promotes Integrated Pest Management (IPM) which envisages use of biological, mechanical, cultural and other methods of pest control including application of indigenous technology and traditional knowledge. Farmers are, accordingly, already using cow urine and cow dung in their traditional agricultural practices.

Single Super Phosphate

511. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state;

(a) the details of production of Single Super Phosphate in the country during the last five years, year-wise;

(b) the details of subsidy given by Government to fertilizer units producing SSP during the last five years, year-wise; and

(c) the number of SSP manufacturing units in the country, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) and (b) Year-wise production and subsidy paid to SSP units by the Government in the country during the last five years is given below:

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi,

Year	Production (Lakh MT)	Subsidy given (Rs. in crore)#
2001-2002	26.25	193.92
2002-2003	23.73	156.60
2003-2004	24.80	158.67
2004-2005	23.87	133.98
2005-2006 (up to June 05)	5.38	22.90

#The figures of payment of concession are subject to variation subsequent to final settlement of claims based on sales certified by the concerned State Governments.

(c) State-wise number of SSP units in operation in the country is given below:-

Name of the State	Numbers of SSP units in operation
Rajasthan Madhya Pradesh Maharashtra	15 10 9
Andhra Pradesh	7
Uttar Pradesh	6
Gujarat West Bengal Tamil Nadu	6 5 2
Chhattisgarh Karnataka	1 1
Bihar	1
TOTAL:	63

New investment plan in IFFCO

512. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Farmers Fertilizers Co-operative Limited (IFFCO) has recently embarked upon a one billion dollar investment plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) to what extent the production of fertilizers would be increased as a result of this plan, the extent to which the country's requirement in this field would be met and the extent to which agricultural production would increase?